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For: SYSTEM FOR SIGNALING THAT A PRODUCT EXPIRATION)

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AMENDMENT

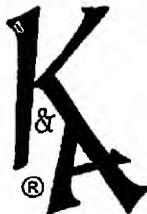
Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2003,
please amend the application as follows:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S):

In the Claims:

1. A bar code indicia system for signaling when an expiration date of a product has passed, said bar code indicia system comprising:

a bar code indicia indicating the expiration date of the product such that said bar code indicia is readable after the expiration date of the product, said bar code indicia being marked on the product;



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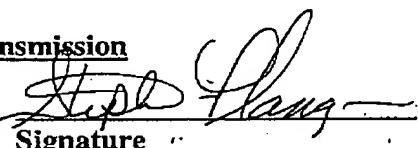
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